GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department – Neeru-Chettu/ Neeru-Pragathi – Water Conservation - Conducting campaign in all Districts – **NEERU- PRAGATHI UDYAMAM** - **90 ROJULU** – From 20-04-2017 to 20-07-2017 –Orders – Issued.

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WATER RESOURCES (CAD) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No : 188 **Date:19 -04-2017**

Read the following

1. G.O. Ms. No: 70, I & CAD (CAD.1) Dept Dt. 04-12-2014
2. G.O. Ms. No: 40, Water Resources (CAD.1) Department Dt. 28-04-2015.
3. G.O. Ms. No: 99, Water Resources (CAD) Department Dt. 23-09-2015.
4. G.O. Ms. No: 213, Water Resources (CAD) Department Dt. 04-12-2015

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ORDER:

The Vision of the Government is to make the State drought proof and provide water security to all its citizens for drinking, irrigation and industrial needs. Government has taken up seven missions for invigorating the growth engines of the State. Primary Sector Mission is one among these missions and Water conservation mission is a sub-mission under this mission.

2. The Government has brought all water conservation & plantation activities into a campaign mode for ensuring convergence of resources, technologies and efforts of all concerned Departments under the name of Neeru-Chettu/ Neeru-Pragathi to promote water conservation, water management & green cover improvement in a focused way.

3. In the reference 1st read above, guidelines were issued on Neeru-Chettu/ Neeru-Pragathi viz., objectives, Major interventions / activities, strategy / approach, Institutional arrangements implementation process, funding, monitoring, outputs and outcome and means of communication & dissemination duly mentioning all the IEC materials and modes of communications.

4. In the reference 2nd read above, guidelines were issued to conduct "Avagahana Sadassulu in the villages from 2nd May to 11th May-2015, an intensive awareness building campaign and public discussion on the subject of importance of water conservation in all the villages of the State by making active participation from all sectors of the society besides various Government Departments. The Avagahana sadassulu was successfully completed all over the State.

5. In the reference 3rd read above, orders were issued to conduct of campaign on drought proofing (KARUVU NIVARANA PRANALIKA) from 2nd October to 3rd December-2015 for creating awareness on Drought proofing, Interlinking of rivers, Water conservation, water management and plantation with active participation from all sections of the society besides various Government departments at village level, mandal level, district level and State level. Debates, discussions and competitions were conducted at various levels in the State by involving students, farmers, NGOs, WUAs, public representatives, Government departments etc., with themes viz., water conservation, water Management, plantation of trees, interlinking of Rivers and

drought proofing to create awareness on rainfall, ground water and surface water availability and methods and practices for best utilization water resources. This campaign was also extended beyond 3rd December-2015 up to 28th December-2015.

6. Workshops on Neeru-Pragathi and District Irrigation Vision Documents were conducted in all Districts from 06-02-2017 to 09-02-2017 duly involving the Engineering College Students, Lecturers, Professors, Research Scholars, members of WUAs, JBMS and general public to draw the innovative ideas from all sectors of people for water conservation and Management.

7. Now the Government has announced a 90 days campaign on water conservation – **Neeru- Pragathi Udyamam – 90 Rojulu**, from 20th April - 2017 to 20th July-2017 in all Districts duly involving Government and non – Government functionaries including College / University faculty and students. The campaign besides focusing on works to be taken up for water conservation, also aims at a large scale involvement of College / University faculty and students besides an active media / publicity campaign and awareness building through various cultural programmes. The cultural programmes for campaign of Neeru-Pragathi Udyamam – 90 rojulu shall be chalked out by the Information & Public Relation Department and Languages & Culture Department keeping in view the Neeru-Chettu / Neeru- Pragathi programme taken up by Government and its objectives and outcomes. **Appreciable results were achieved in various activities taken up under Neeru-Chettu/ Neeru-Pragathi programme in the State during last two years.** Sharing of information and proper communication plays a vital role in creating awareness and effective implementation of schemes at the grass root level. Following are the modes of communications to be taken up during these 90 days.

- Skits (Audio & Video):a) Audio skits in the morning and evening through public audio system available in ritual places and Gram Panchayat.
  b) Playing audio skits before conducting the meetings.
  c) Video skits through local dish network in between TV serials.

- Kalajatha : a) Performance before audience in the meetings.
  b) Season and activity based performances.

8. The District Administration and Water Resources Department shall take care of conducting the District wise workshops for water conservation campaign by mobilizing the students of College / University, faculty and all other stakeholders of the society. The students are to be encouraged to take up water related field problems as their project work and making them to interact with field engineers, stakeholders and others engaged in water resources development and management. There is a lot of scope for studying different aspects of water resources evaluation and management in the State. Some of the topics identified for Project work have already been communicated to all District Collectors vide D.O. Letter No: 10444 / CAD.1 / 2014 Dt.12-04-2017. The students shall be awarded for their best projects of water related field issues selected and evaluated in an innovative way.

9. The following are the activities to be taken up under Neeru-Pragathi Udyamam - 90 Rojulu campaign by all the line Departments.

I) <u>Minor Irrigation Department:</u>

a) Jungle Clearance of bunds on top, sides and in foreshore of tanks in the State:

i) Jungle clearance of all tanks (5441 Nos) having ayacut more than 100 Acres shall be taken up by Minor Irrigation Dept.

ii) Jungle clearance of 5026 tanks having ayacut in between 50 Acres to100 Acres shall also be taken up by Minor Irrigation Dept.

iii) Jungle clearance (light & thick) shall be **carried out as per rates communicated by the Government.**

iv) While submitting estimates of jungle clearance for according administrative approval, the estimates shall be accompanied by photos and drone videos. The photos and drone videos shall also be taken up after clearing jungle.

b) De-silting, Improvements & Restoration of tanks:

i) De-silting, improvements & restoration of all MI tanks (5441 Nos) having ayacut more than 100 Acres shall be taken up by Minor Irrigation Dept.

ii) De-silting, improvements & restoration of (about 5026) tanks having ayacut in between 50 to100 Acres shall also be taken up by Minor Irrigation Dept

c) Cascade Development:

i) Development of 500 Cascades shall be taken up including all links of each cascade in this 90 days.

ii) In cascade system, the links in between all the tanks shall be executed by Minor Irrigation Department only

d) Construction of Check dams:

i) It is proposed for constructions of 14890 number of check dams on streams and minor rivers in all Districts of Andhra Pradesh as identified by APSAC.

ii) Medium Check dams (1,713 Nos) and big check dams(1,558 Nos) of cost more than Rs. 3.00 Lakhs shall be taken up by Minor Irrigation Department.

e) Excavation of farm ponds:

i) It is proposed to excavate 10,000 numbers of farm ponds in the land holding more than 5 Acres.

ii) The sizes of 10M x 10 M x 2 M and 12 M x 12 M x 2 M shall be adopted based on the area of land holding.

<u>II) Rural Development Department:</u>

a) Jungle Clearance of bunds on top and sides and in foreshore of tanks in the State:

i) Jungle Clearance in tanks having ayacut less than 50 Acres shall be taken up by Rural Development Department.

b) De-silting, Improvements & Restoration of tanks:

i) De-silting, improvements & restoration of (about 30,350) tanks having ayacut less than 50 Acres shall be taken up by Rural Development.

c) Construction of Check dams:

i) It is proposed for constructions of 14890 number of check dams on streams and minor rivers in all Districts of Andhra Pradesh as identified by APSAC.

ii) Minor Check dams(11,619Nos) of cost less than Rs. 3.00 Lakhs shall be taken up by Rural Development Department

d) Excavation of farm ponds:

i) It is proposed to excavate 1,04,000 numbers of farm ponds in the land holding less than 5 Acres.

ii) The sizes of 5 M x 5 M x 2 M, 8 M x 8 M x 2 M and 10 M x 10 M x 2 M shall be adopted based on the area of land holding.

10. The Engineer-in-Chief, All the Collectors, Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Commissioner, Rural Development Department are directed to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation, Water Resources Dept., Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), Water Resources Dept., Vijayawada
The Engineer-in-Chief (IW/AW), Water Resources Dept., Vijayawada
All District Collectors
The Superintending Engineers,Water Resources Dept.,A.P.
The Director Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner, Rural Development.
The Director, I & PR Department, Vijayawada.
The Director, Languages & Culture, Vijayawada.
The PCCF, Forest Department.
The Director, Agriculture Department.
The Addl. Director, Horticulture.
The Vice Chairman, APSAC.
The Commissioner, Fisheries.
The Commissioner, M.A & U.D.
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